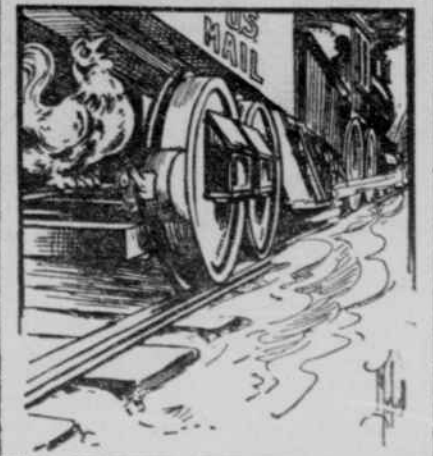




SATURDAY...APRIL 7TH, 1906.

is the record of a white leghorn rooster, which since has had a more comfortable and less dangerous roost at the boathouse home of Railway Postal Clerk L. Meade Johnson, at Leschl Park. It is a sad commentary on the sympathetic element of man that after this notable feat the end of it should be so prosaic—as soup.

The Great Northern's Oriental limited dashed into a flock of chickens, approaching Minot, S. D., one night recently, and during the stop at the



THE ROOSTER PERCHED ON THE BRAKE ROD.

station feathers, wishbones and giblets were cleared from the engine and trucks. Upon approaching Leavenworth, this state, a horse was struck by the train, and inspectors at Leavenworth were in the act of again clearing the train when a remarkable discovery was made.

Perched on a brake rod under the mail coach was a rooster, his plumage indicating him a survivor of the Minot disaster. Made an easy prisoner, he was carried to the coach, and with a rope tether was given the freedom of the car. That 1,200-mile journey, as blind baggage, had left no apparent ill effects, and he crowed and strutted proudly about after he had been fed from lunch boxes.

As the feat of the bird came in full realization to the postal clerks, John Schaffer and L. Meade Johnson, a desire to possess him grew in each, and they drew lots to determine ownership, and Johnson won. The subsequent fate of the rooster is told in his owner's words:

"We had first decided to give him to the captain of the Minnesota as a mascot, but some one suggested the possibility of his forming the basis of a chop suey en route, and we had only one recourse—our own soup."

MONKEY ADOPTS A KITTEN
Betty Takes a Liking to Stray Cat, Feeds Her and Makes a Splendid Nurse.

New York.—Betty, a monkey who was in the habit of going on spears with her former master in her unregenerate days, has settled down to a quiet life at the Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals headquarters in Jersey City as the foster mother of a black and white kitten.

A girl of 13 entered the building a few days ago with a half-starved six-week-old kitten in her arms. She said her mother didn't want her to keep the kitten any longer; and would the "cruelty man" please find a nice home for her?

Inspector Deterie promised to look around for a place, and then Betty, from her perch on top of a big door leading to the office, began to chatter. As soon as the girl had departed she swung herself down from her high seat and walked toward the kitten, who sat washing her face with her paws in front of the desk.

The monkey circled around her several times, and the cat made a playful tap at Betty's stump tail. Betty made a few remarks which Deterie didn't attempt to interpret, and then tenderly took the kitten in her arms.

She climbed back to the top of the door and remained there for hours hugging the cat to her bosom with the tenderness of a mother. When it came bedtime several officers were obliged to do circus stunts to get the adopted baby away, and Betty didn't take kindly to the separation.

She was allowed to have the kitten again in the morning. She promptly carried the furry ball to a pan of milk and held her head down while the cat lapped her fill. Then she cuddled the kitten in her hairy arms and both went to sleep.

Since the day Betty adopted her baby she hasn't let the kitten get further than the length of her chain except when the officers have forcibly removed her. The kitten has apparently taken a shine to her foster mother and seems to be happiest when snuggling in her embrace.

WORTHLESS.
Percy—What can you give me for my head?
Doctor—Nothing! I wouldn't have it as a gift.

Not So Far Ahead.
Blox—Jimblecure is certainly a genius. He's in advance of his age.
Knox—How far in advance?
Blox—Er—about 30 minutes.—Chicago Daily News.

Too Much of a Good Thing.
Drawler—My ten-ants an-oy me im-mense-ly.
Sharpe—Ten aunts! I should think so. I've only one, and she drives me nearly silly.

ROOSTER RIDES LONG WAY ON A BRAKE ROD.
Survivor of a Flock Struck by a Train in South Dakota Found 40 Hours Later.

Seattle, Wash.—Twelve hundred miles, 40 hours' endurance, perched on the rod of a trans-continental train,

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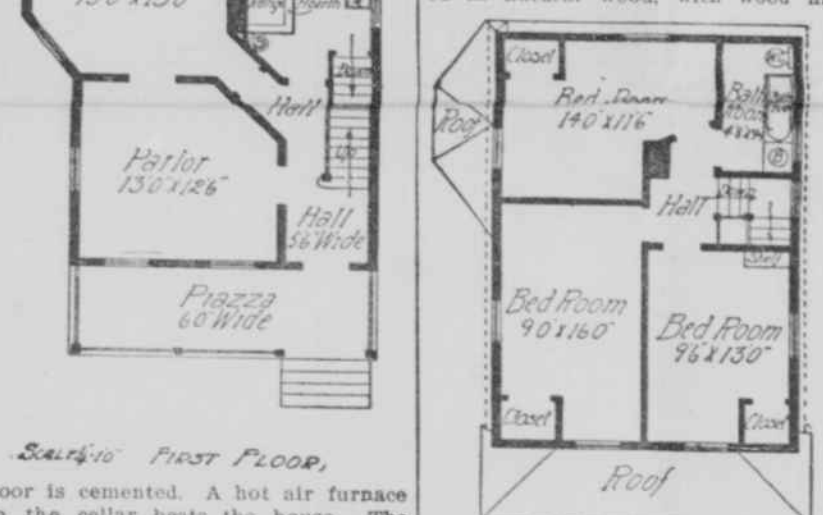
FRONT ELEVATION

An attractive \$1,600 home with all improvements. Herewith are presented a design and plans for a model \$1,600 home that has been erected in many places. There is a cellar under the entire house. The walls are of brick, and the

with rolling slats and hung with hinges and spring back hooks complete.

The floors are laid with narrow North Carolina pine flooring boards, well blind nailed. The exterior walls are lathed with spruce lath and finished with two coats of common mortar, with hard white finish. The trim is of cypress mouldings, as are the stairs, which have oak hand rails, newells and balusters.

The dresser is fitted with glass doors, closets, drawers and shelves, as well as such other closets as may be desired, by owner. The trim is finished in natural wood, with wood fill-



SCALE 1/4" = 1' FIRST FLOOR.

floor is cemented. A hot air furnace in the cellar heats the house. The frame of the building is of hemlock lumber and timber, put up balloon style. The walls are all sheathed, papered, sided and shingled, as shown on elevation. The main roof is also shingled with white cedar shingles. The cornices, rails, and all other exterior furnishings are of pine and cypress lumber and mouldings.

The piazza columns are of white wood, turned. The exterior work is painted two coats of white lead and lined oil paints of any preferred colors. The shingles are stained with two coats of shingle stain, brush coated. All except the cellar windows are fitted with outside pine blinds.

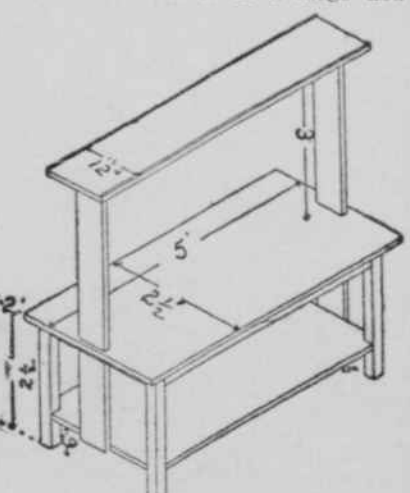
ers, well rubbed down smooth and two good coats of light hard varnish. The kitchen has a modern range and boiler. The sink and wash trays are in the kitchen.

The bath room has wash basin, bath tub and water closet, all with exposed plumbing.

This makes a very comfortable, cozy and complete little home and is well worth careful study for anyone contemplating the building of a small, low-priced house.

A CONVENIENT KITCHEN TABLE.

One of the most convenient kitchens I have ever seen is in a large new



THE HANDY KITCHEN TABLE.

house in Sea Breeze, Fla. The room is quite long, with doors between the range and the sink, opening into the store room or pantry, where all supplies are kept. In the middle of the room is a table 5x2 1/2 feet, covered with zinc. Running from each end as high as one can conveniently reach

is a foot wide board which holds baking pans, basins, etc., and carries a row of hooks on which to hang small articles used in cooking, such as spoons, skimmers, forks, egg beaters, etc.

This table has an under part about one foot from the floor, with an edge around to keep things from rolling off, where are kept other utensils and things necessary in cooking. The table is on rollers and can be shoved easily any place in the room. This zinc top is thoroughly cleaned after each meal, and no cracks to catch filth and no oil cloth to get spoiled.

This table is so near the range, says the Farmers' Voice, gives one an opportunity to cook and work, during the getting up of a meal, without the extra steps required to run to the stove. The light comes from large windows on the other side and end of the room. If the piece running across the top of the table were wider it would exclude the light.

Glass Bricks.
Glass bricks, a German product, are translucent but not transparent, and possess the advantages of being acid proof and of harboring no disease germs.

Reformed.
"She married him to reform him, did she not?"
"So they say."
"Did she succeed?"
"Yes, in a way. He was the same high roller during their marriage, but when she got a divorce the judge allowed her so much alimony that he can no longer afford to be a jolly good fellow so he has settled down."—Houston Post.

Wonders Never Cease.
First London Belle—Oh, have you heard the news? I never would have believed it, but it's true. All sorts of wonderful things are occurring nowadays.
Second London Belle—Dear me! What has happened?
"An English duke, who spent three weeks in America, has returned, and married an English girl."—N. Y. Weekly.

Almost.
"Talk about dreams coming true—I dreamed last night that a burglar entered my room, took my watch from the dresser and sneaked out before I could catch him. I woke up, jumped out of bed and looked for the watch."
"Was it gone?"
"No; but it was going."—Cleveland Leader.

Remedial.
"I am greatly troubled with kleptomania," exclaimed the fashionably dressed woman, as she hustled into the drug department. "Now, what would you advise me to take for it?"
"Your departure, madam, by all means," replied the floorwalker, and bowed her to the elevator.—Puck.

Misrepresentation.
"You public men are much misrepresented."
"Yes," answered the statesman. "I regret that I have not said all the bright things that have been attributed to me, and I am also thankful that I have not said all the foolish ones."—Washington Star.

A Customary Impression.
"I rely on the sense of the plain people," said the youthful statesman.
"Yes," answered Senator Sorghum. "Somehow a man always feels that the plain people have splendid judgment just after they have elected him to office."—Washington Star.

Higher Up.
Miss Thompson must have spent a lot of money on her musical education.
"What makes you think so?"
"She never plays anything any more that sounds a bit like a tune."—Cleveland Leader.

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